

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER
OF PARKWOOD TERRACE SUBDIVISION



From Our President

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# A Message From The President

Hello Neighbors,

**SPRING HAS SPRUNG AND SUMMER IS ALMOST HERE!** This means Hurricane Season is just around the corner, beginning June 1 through November 30. This issue includes **Hurricane Safety Tips**.

A few things to mention: **PTIA Dues Increase** was approved at our April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Dues will be **\$50** effective July 1, 2023. "Gentle Reminder" letters will be mailed soon.

Our **Inaugural Juneteenth Celebration** for the Neighborhood was also approved. It will be held Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., located on Cadiz Drive. We have extended the date for RSVP. The **deadline is now Wednesday**, **May 24**, **2023**. There will be fun, food, games and music! I am hoping this will become an annual event. **We look forward to celebrating with you!** 

Please, please watch your speed. The children are now out of school. They'll be riding bikes and running after balls in the streets. **Keep your dogs leashed** also. These issues can be enforced by City and Parish Ordinances now.

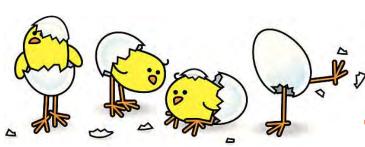
Our featured articles...Celebrating Our Neighbors and Where Are They Now? ... has proved to be a great hit with our readers. Keep that info coming!

Amended Restrictions Packets were mailed several weeks ago. Restrictions are necessary for maintaining the standards of appearance, safety, and values of our neighborhood for the property owners that live here. Friday, May 19, 2023 is the deadline to turn your Ballots in to your Street Captain.

I would like to Congratulate our 2023 Graduates! I would also like to extend a very special Happy Mother's Day and Happy Father's Day to our residents!

**Stay safe and enjoy your summer!** As always, we are happy for you to reach out to the PTIA and even me personally.

Cynthia D. Miller



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DEADLINE
DATES
EXTENDED!

**NOTE CHANGE** 

No Tickets Needed!
Residents Check-In at
Sign-In Table

Parkwood Terrace Lifers
(Children & Grandchildren)
Admission \$12 per person

RSVP TO: brileyptia@gmail.com

**NOTE CHANGE** 

Deadline: Wednesday, May 24th



YOUR INFORMATION Name:			T-SHIRT SIZES	PRICES
			Adult Sizes S-M-L	\$12.50*
Address:			Adult Sizes XL-XXL-XXXL-XXXXL	\$13.50*
City:	State:	Zip:	Deadline: Wednesday, May 24th	

**NOTE CHANGE** 



#### **T-SHIRT ORDER**

PLEASE INDICATE SIZE AND QUANTITY BELOW:

T-SHIRT SIZE	ADULT size	QTY	TOTAL
SMALL	12.50		
MEDIUM	12.50		
LARGE	12.50		
X-LARGE	13.50		
XX-LARGE	13.50		
XXX-LARGE	13.50		
XXXX-LARGE	13.50		14

\*MONEY ORDERS PLEASE: (No Checks Accepted)

Make Payable to: Bridget Riley

MAIL WITH COMPLETED FORM to: 13765 Ector Dr. Baker, LA 70714
- OR - CashApp: \$Sassieb2 - OR - PayPal Account Name is: bariley15@gmail.com or use 225.933.8459 for either

(NOTE: Fund transfers are FREE when you choose "Send Money to Friends and Family" and use your-linked bank

account. Otherwise, transfers are assessed an additional 2.9% +\$0.30 fee.)

\*If you are ordering t-shirts to be shipped, please include an additional \$7.00 for postage.

Signature: Print name

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# Celebrating our Neighbors!



Velta Jones Cross

The First Female African American Band Director in the United States.

Velta Jones Cross pledged Delta at Southern University-Baton Rouge in 1953. At the time she was majoring in instrumental music and playing the French Horn in the Southern University Marching Band.

Velta went on to become one of the First female African American Band Directors in the United States. Sorors were celebrated for their service by the Delta Dears Baker/Zachary Alumnae Chapter.

Velta was recognized at a Delta Dear Tea on Sunday, April 23, 2023 as the Soror who has been a Delta the longest.

# 2023 Magnet Schools of America NATIONAL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR!



# Joy Abernathy-Dyer, Ph. D.

Joy Abernathy-Dyer is the youngest of five children born to the late Bishop Thomas S. Abernathy, III and Mrs. Gladys G. Abernathy. She is the Principal at Villa Del Rey Creative Sciences and Arts Magnet School, East Baton Rouge Parish School System. Joy was also named "Principal of the Year" for East Baton Rouge Parish Schools 2022-2023.





Joe Williams III

**Joe Williams III** is a retired **Baton Rouge Fire Fighter** with over 32 years of service. He has been a resident of Parkwood Terrace since 1979.

Joe began working at the Scotlandville Fire Department in 1964 having completed his training at the LSU Fire Training Academy. Joe was instrumental in annexing the Scotlandville Fire Department into the Baton Rouge Fire Department in 1980. It was during this period that he became a Fire Captain. In 1982 he was promoted to Assistant Chief for Public Relations, shortly thereafter, he was promoted to Chief for Public Relations. He gives thanks to Attorney Etta K. Hearn for paving the way for him and other Black men to become Fire Fighters in Baton Rouge.

Joe was the Owner of Joe's Sporting Goods & Pawn Shop in Scotlandville/Baton Rouge for 35 Years.

In 2009 he became a Bailiff for the City of Baker Court under the leadership of Judge Kirk Anthony Williams, where he worked for 10 years.

In 2019 Joe was appointed Fire Chief of Alsen/St. Irma Lee District 9 Fire Department #674. Through grants, he recently acquired a new Fire Truck and is expecting 2 more soon!

Joe is currently the only Black Fire Chief in East Baton Rouge Parish.



Joe Williams III and Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome



Judge Kirk Williams & Joe Williams III









**April Prince Armstrong** Debra Dunn Sirmetrics Fields Dorothy Gambler Melissa Hayes Viola Honore Eli Jackson Carlton Mack Ruby Mitchell Alvin Montgomery Elaine Phillips Raymond Russell Erica Samuel Robert Scott **Christon Stewart** Sherman Temple Burnell Williams Sharon Robinson Williams Robert Wilson, Jr.

May Weldon August Yolanda Brown Barbara Cleary Dr. James Cross John Davis, Sr. Sherman Dyer John Haves Judith "Judy" James Johney McQuarter Cynthia Miller **Dora Thomas** Wilbert Whitfield Orenthal Williams Carol Grimes Willis Alta Wilson

June Pam Bennett Eric Cleary Nathaniel Coleman **Louis Curtis** Zenobia Harbor Charles Hawkins Vallory Hills Harry Horton Anthony Jones Latoya Jones Roy Jones Leola McKinley Marjorie Nichols **Davis Owens** Chadwick Rami Pecola Scott Robert Stewart **Elouise Thomas** Fabiola Young



April
Frederick & Leandery Chappell
Isaac & Debra Dunn
Thomas & Dorothy Herbert
Ronald & Rebecca Johnson
Lenard & Bettie Knighton

May
Eli & Rosa Jackson
Floyd & Beverly Joseph
Carlton & Taryla Mack
Edward & Sharon Williams
Gregory & Judy Williams

June
Gerald & Cheryl Adams
Harrison & Sandra Collins
Sherman & Jean Dyer
Charles & Barbara Hawkins
Mack & Audrey Hilton
Johney & Karen McQuarter
Chadwick & Lucinda Rami
Billy & Bridget Riley
Robert & Sharon Stewart
Tyrone & Mable Tanner
Eddie & Fabiola Young

#### We want to Hear from You!

To inspire our readers and recognize your accomplishments (and/or that of your children and/or grandchildren) we would like to feature your story in one of our upcoming newsletters.

Please send a personal article, poem, or photos (optional) to:

Bridget Riley bariley15@gmail.com

# Where Are They Now? The Abernathy Siblings

THE LATE BISHOP & MRS. ABERNATHY & FAMILY



**GENESIS ABERNATHY CLARK & FAMILY** 

Genesis "Gen" D. Abernathy Clark is the eldest of the five Abernathy children born to the late Bishop T.S. Abernathy, III and Mrs. Gladys G. Abernathy. She is married to Ray Clark, and they have two daughters Chloe and Addison. They reside in Goose Creek, SC.

#### **Education**

- Baker High School Graduate, 1987
- Bachelor's degree, Business Administration, emphasis in Marketing, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff
- Master of Science, Southern Wesleyan University

#### **Employment**

- **Employment Program Administrator for Charleston County Community Development**
- Gen & Ray are the owners/operators of Just Right Transportation Trucking Company.

#### **Community Involvement**

School Improvement Council for Parents and Community Leaders, Girl Scouts, Church Youth Advisor and Prayer Ministry, Oratorical Ministry co-leader, High School Sunday School teacher, and Member of Charleston Area Justice Ministry

#### Role Model(s)

Gen gives all the praise and glory to God for the favor he has shown upon her family; and to her parents and the neighborhood watch team for her successes in life.

#### Parkwood Memories

Standing at the bus stop with a greasy head, missing the bus and running down the street to catch the bus at Auntie Jo's house, selling snacks to have Friday night football game money, the juiciest dixie cups sold at the Montogmery's house, riding my bike, playing dodgeball, kickball and football. Lastly, having the best neighbors to give us snacks, letting us stay at their house if me and my siblings were locked out; most importantly nurturing us and watching us grow up and become the individuals we are now.



L to R: THOMAS, ANTHONY, ANTOINE GLADYS ABERNATHY, GENESIS & JOY



**ANTOINE MARK & FAMILY** 

Antoine Mark Abernathy, the eldest son of the Abernathy children. Married to Kimberly, they have two sons, Marc Anthony and Jackson. They reside in Dallas, TX.

#### **Education**

- Baker High School Graduate, 1989
- Bachelor of Science, Accounting, SUBR
- Masters, Public Administration, Healthcare Concentration, SUBR

#### **Employment**

Over 25 years in Finance/Accounting

#### Parkwood Memories

All the kids in the subdivision would come to our house and play football in our backyard. Most importantly, the Parkwood Panthers "Pee Wee" football team was established, and we were able to play for real. What a fun time!!!

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## The Abernathy Siblings, cont'd.

Anthony Michael Abernathy is the third child of the Abernathy children. Michael and Mark were born in Leesville, LA (Fort Polk). Michael and Mark were the first set of twins born on the Army base and they were born eight minutes apart. Married to Tamara, their children are: twins – daughter, Alivia Mykah & son, Alan Mark, and younger son, Austin Mathieu. They reside in Dallas, TX.

#### **Education**

- Baker High School Graduate, 1989
- ♦ Bachelor of Science, Accounting, SUBR
- Master of Public Administration, Healthcare Concentration SUBR



**ANTHONY MICHAEL & FAMILY** 

#### **Employment**

- Over 20 years, Senior Internal Auditor Lead/Officer in the Communication and Transit Industry
- Other Audit Experience: Financial, Operational, Compliance, Information Technology and Fraud Reviews
- ♦ Tenured member, Institute of Internal Auditors/Dallas Chapter

#### Membership/Organizations

Member of the Northeast Dallas Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated, Father Auxiliary, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated (Life Member), Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated, Deacon at Mount Hebron, volunteers with the Dallas Alumnae Association for Southern University Dallas Chapter (Life Member).

#### Parkwood Memories

Playing football (in the backyard), baseball, soccer, basketball, and badminton, riding my bike with friends in the neighborhood and building ramps to jump, walking to the Golf course, playing "Red, Light, Green Light," Beautiful Neighborhood Christmas lights, and playing games at the bus stop



JOY ABERNATHY-DYER & FAMILY

Joy Abernathy-Dyer is the youngest of five children. Married to Corey Dyer, they have one daughter, Claire-Elizabeth. They reside in Central, LA.

#### Education

- Scotlandville Magnet High School Graduate, 1994
- Bachelor and Master's degrees, Education, SUBR
- ED.S. in Literacy and Ph.D., Educational Leadership, LSU

#### **Employment**

- Principal, Villa del Rey Creative Sciences and Arts Magnet School
- ♦ EBR Parish School System

#### Awards/Accomplishments

- 2023 Magnet Schools of America
   National Principal of the Year Award
- "Principal of the Year" EBR Parish Schools 2022-2023

#### Membership/Organizations

Member, Abundant Life Tabernacle, Winding Chapel, the Baton Rouge Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

#### Parkwood Memories

Holiday gathering at the Gazebo, the huge, outdoor kickball games, bus stop "shenanigans," \$.25 dixie cups, and visiting friends to play



THOMAS FITZGERALD & FAMILY

**Thomas "FITZ" Fitzgerald Abernathy**, the 4th child of the family. Married to Tina, they have two sons, Myles & Langston and Tina's sister Angel, lives with them. They reside in Suwannee, GA.

#### Education

- Baker High School Graduated in 1994
- Bachelor of Science, SUBR
- ♦ MA, Liberty University
- ♦ MBA, Concordia University
- ♦ Ordained Minister

#### **Employment**

Sr. Veteran DEI Talent Acquisition DEI Recruiter

#### Parkwood Memories

Playing football, basketball, riding bikes with my friends, and the Parkwood Panthers Football team that was organized by the neighborhood.



**GI GI & GRANDCHILDREN** 

# HURRICANE SAFETY TIPS



Take these steps to prepare yourself, and your loved ones from dangerous weather.

### Have An Emergency Plan

Create an emergency plan and review it with everyone in your home. Make sure everyone knows the safest location in the home.



# Follow Emergency Instructions

Follow all instructions from authorities regarding evacuation or other safety protocols. Check radio, television or other media outlets for emergency information.

### Have an Evacuation Route

Make sure you know your evacuation route before the hurricane hits and keep a full tank of gas.

# Stock Up On Supplies

Be sure to have the proper necessities, such as: water, blankets, first aid kits, flashlights, batteries, radios, and any pet care items.



#### **Out-Of-Town Contact**

Make sure to have an out-ofstate friend or family member as a contact, so they can check on your whereabouts.



# Protect Important Documents

Make sure important documents such as ID cards and other vital information are placed in a secured, waterproof container.



Call 9-1-1 IF IN DANGER

# **MONTHLY OBSERVANCES**

















#### **PTIA & Crime Prevention Meetings** Meetings Begin at 6:30 p.m.

July 10, 2023	PTIA	
August 7, 2023	PTIA	
September 11, 2023	Crime Prevention	
	Baker Library & Via Zoom	
October 2, 2023	PTIA	
November 6, 2023	PTIA	
December 4, 2023	Crime Prevention	
	Baker Library & Via Zoom	
January 8, 2024	PTIA	
February 5, 2024	PTIA	
March 4, 2024	Crime Prevention	
	Baker Library & Via Zoom	
April 1, 2024	PTIA	
May 6, 2024	PTIA	
June 3, 2024	Crime Prevention	
	Baker Library & Via Zoom	

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**BE KIND AND PRINT A HARD COPY** FOR YOUR NEIGHBOR IF THEY DO NOT HAVE **AN E-MAIL ADDRESS** 

Thank you!

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SUBDIVISION HOMEOWNERS ONLY

AD SIZES
Business Card: \$15 (2.25"H x 3.75"W)
1/4 page: \$25 (5"H x 3.75"W)
1/2 page: \$45 (5"H x 7.5"W)
Full page: \$75 (10"H x 7.5"W)
(Note: Sizes are approximate for this Guideline)
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Subject Line or give to Your Street Captain | Payment Options: Make Checks Payable to: PTIA, P.O. Box 874, Baker, LA 70704-0874 |

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